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MILITARY MATTERS.

Original Company D Anxious to Enlist.

But Will Not Serve Under Gaines—Gov. Bradley Says Its Too Late.

The best citizens of Hopkinsville, regardless of party, are taking a hand in the much mixed military muddle. They are backing the Latham Light Guards and upholding their action in returning home under rather severe disreputable appointment of Gov. Bradley. They are determined to know the reason why the Governor has denied them the right to choose their own officers, and attempted to thrust his henchmen at their head over the officers of their own choice. They are determined to know why these able bodied, well drilled, patriotic young men can not have an equal chance with the Companies from sister cities to fight the battles of their country.

The boys who returned are anxious to go to the front as an organization. Nearly every member of the old Company is here, and while indignant over the treatment they received at the hands of Bradley and Collier, their patriotism has not waned and their enthusiasm for the cause which has called American manhood to arms has suffered no diminution.

They are ready to organize and go to Lexington at a moment's notice, with the old Company as a nucleus, commanded by officers of their own choice, subject to the approval of the Governor.

The following telegram was sent to Governor Bradley yesterday afternoon by citizens and county officials:

Hopkinsville, Ky., May 23.
WM. O. BRADLEY,
Governor of Ky.:

The citizens of Hopkinsville are very much disappointed over the disbandment of Company "D," which enlisted at this place under Capt. John Feland, Jr. This Company was composed of a fine lot of young men, who, if they had been mustered in the United States service, would have reflected credit upon the State, and would have been a source of pride to the community which furnished them.

We, the undersigned citizens of Hopkinsville, would respectfully request your excellency to authorize the reorganization of a Company from this section, to be known as "Company D," of the Third Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers.

And in this connection we would represent upon the statement and promise of many of the best young men who composed the said original Company, that they will furnish a full Company of able bodied men, on or before Friday, May 27, nearly one-half of whom have already been examined and pronounced eligible for service.

The only condition which they make is that they shall be allowed to elect their own officers, subject to your approval. We sincerely hope that your excellency may find it consistent with your plans to authorize the enlistment of this Company and to grant the privilege herein asked, to elect their own officers.

Very respectfully,
J. I. Landes, O. H. Anderson, James Breathitt, Polk Cansler, John P. Prowse, Matt Starling, C. M. Latham.

An hour later Judge Landes received this response from the Governor:

Hon. Joseph I. Landes and others:—Col. Smith says Regiment will be full to-morrow. Demand for completion so urgent can not wait.

W. O. BRADLEY.

The statement of the chief executive was received by the boys with distrust and incredulity. In fact many of them believe that his Excellency had misrepresented facts.

It was decided to wire Col. Castleman of the First Regiment asking for room in his company. This telegram was accordingly sent:

Col. Jno. B. Castleman, Camp Bradley, Lexington:—Latham Light Guards will not serve under Gaines. Have you room for them in your Regiment? Offered to meet Governor's approval. Full company ready.

No response had been received

to this at the hour of going to press.

Sergt. Phelps' Denial.

Mr. George Phelps, First Sergeant of the late Latham Light Guards, requests the KENTUCKIAN to deny emphatically the statement published in the Louisville and Lexington papers and republished here, to the fact that he had been elected First Sergeant of the hybrid company which Bradley, Collier Gaines & Co., are trying to recruit at Lexington. Mr. Phelps was approached by Gaines and offered the position before the members of the original and only Company D left Lexington. He told Gaines that he would not serve under him, and would return with his companions to Hopkinsville if Bradley insisted upon foisting him upon the Company. Mr. Phelps at that time held his commission as First Sergeant in the original Company. He is a gentleman, and an efficient officer, and doesn't wish his name associated with any company commanded by such a character as Gaines.

THE CAMPBELL SALE.

Thirteen Lots Sold for an Aggregate of \$5,595.

The handsome residence property of the estate of the late E. P. Campbell, on Seventh street, was sold yesterday by the Christian County Abstract Company, acting as agent for John Stites, Executor. The lots were 234x570 and 224x178 feet and were divided into thirteen lots which were sold to the following parties:

The residence was sold to Benj. Rawlins for \$2,405; 80 feet front.

The lot next to Mrs. E. V. Gant's, 68 feet front, brought \$800. The purchaser was Benj. Rawlins.

The lot adjoining Dr. Cook's, 85 feet front, to Dr. P. E. West, for \$1,150.

Nine lots in the rear on Fourth street were sold as follows:

To J. W. Pritchett, one lot, \$130.

" G. W. Wiley, one lot, \$140.

" J. K. Gant, two lots, \$270.

" R. H. Holland, five lots, \$530.

" Dr. A. Sargent, one lot, \$175.

The whole sale aggregated \$5,595.

Dr. West, who bought one of the front lots, will build at once a handsome residence.

BREACH OF PROMISE.

The Plaintiff Wants Two Thousand Dollars for Her Betrayed Affections.

Eliza Whitefield vs. Dee Brice, is the style of a breach of promise suit filed in the circuit clerk's office Saturday. The plaintiff says that she is over twenty-one years old and a resident of this county and State. In January, 1898, she became acquainted with defendant, who, shortly thereafter began to court her with a view to matrimony. He was persistent in his attentions and in February he proposed marriage and was accepted in good faith. May 5th was agreed upon as the date for the consummation of their vows. She says that under promise of marriage the defendant took advantage of her confidence and betrayed her and refused, and still refuses to carry out his promises to marry her. She asks for a judgment against him in the sum of two thousand dollars. The parties to the action are colored.

The above was in type yesterday when an event transpired at the court house, which gives another phase to the action.

The defendant, Dee Brice, walked into the clerk's office accompanied by a woman. He wanted "a pair of license." It happened that the blanks were exhausted, and Mr. Prowse informed the prospective groom that he would have to wait until a pair could be made. He dispatched a messenger to the KENTUCKIAN office, and a few minutes later the desired article in blank form was ready to be filled out and signed by the clerk. When the document was handed to the waiting groom it bore the name of George Elia McRae. The recent lover had completed the humiliation of Eliza Whitefield by leading her rival to the altar.

MORE RUMORS OF HEAVY FIRING.

Furious Cannonading Heard on the Cuban Coast.

The Whereabouts of the Oregon is Once More Involved in Doubt.

Conflicting Reports Concerning Her—Navy Department Says Fleets Are at Sea and no News Expected Soon.

Port Au Prince, Hayti, May 23.—(Special).—A report from Port de Paix, dated Saturday, says the land telegraph was interrupted until to-day. Furious canonading was heard on the 19th, in the direction of Cuba. It was continued in a lively fashion to-day (21st).

The Spanish report that Guatamo was bombarded by the Americans, and the sound of firing may have come from there.

Where is the Oregon Anyhow?

London, May 23.—(Special).—Lloyd's agent at Para, Brazil, reports the arrival of three American warships there to-day. The only such ships known bound north are the Oregon, Marietta and Nichtheroy, which left Bahia May 9. If Lloyd is correct they are steaming very slowly. Other reports put them off the Barbadoes.

Key West, May 23.—(Special).—The Oregon has not arrived here.

No News to Give Out.

Washington, D. C., May 23.—(Special).—The Naval authorities state that no dispatches have been received to-day, except one about a small prize taken. As the fleets are now at sea no news is expected until an engagement is reported by dispatch boats, or it is found that Cervera has eluded our search.

Reason For Delay.

Washington, D. C. May 23.—One reason for deferring the invasion of Cuba is a confidence on the part of the president that if the Spanish fleet is destroyed it will not be necessary to send a large army across the gulf stream. He believes the Spaniards will give in and Capt Gen. Blanco will receive orders to surrender and evacuate on the best terms he can get. There is so much confidence on this point that the terms of evacuation have already been discussed in Washington. The withdrawal of all the Spanish forces from Cuba as rapidly as possible will be demanded. We want no prisoners in this war. If the Spaniards will agree to clear out and stay out they will be allowed to do so with great pleasure, and may carry their arms with them.

Another cause of the delay is the president's reluctance to expose our soldiers to the climate of Cuba, and he hopes the next naval battle will make it unnecessary. Surgeon-General Sternberg of the army, who sees the president every day, is op-

posed to undertaking any military operations until after the rainy season, on the ground that the sanitary conditions in and around Havana, where the army will be camped, are not only naturally very bad, but have been aggravated in most serious manner by the slaughter and starvation of the reconcentrados. From reliable reports received by him through the marine hospital service he estimates that 200,000 persons have died of starvation within the Havana province during the last twelve months, 6,000 from yellow fever, 2,500 from enteric fever, 12,000 from dysentery, 7,000 from malarial fever and 5,000 from smallpox and other diseases. Nothing whatever has been done to remove the cause or neutralize the results. The dead have not been properly buried and no attempt has been to protect living people from contagion. Surgeon-General Sternberg has made a report on this subject to the president and it has had great weight on him.

Flake Fun of Our Blockade.

Corunna, Spain, May 23.—The Spanish auxiliary cruiser Montserrat arrived here unexpectedly last evening from Cienfuegos, having escaped the American blockading ships. Large crowds of people thronged the quays, and the members of the crew received an ovation when they went ashore. The people embraced the Captain and officers of the steamer.

The newspapers here claim that the Montserrat "thrice ran the blockade of the Cuban coast" as the text, the articles claiming to point out that the blockade is ineffective. It is asserted that the Montserrat landed 15,000,000 pesetas, a thousand soldiers, 100 guns, 15,000 rifles and a quantity of ammunition in Cuba.

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM.

Little Prospect of Catching the Wily Cervera.

Washington, D. C., May 23.—No possible contingency can now arise, according to the War Department officials, to prevent an invasion of Cuba during the present week. Those in direct control of affairs insist that climatic conditions will have to be ignored, and they can see no other reason for further delay. I am told that a few weeks ago the entire army which is to go to

Cuba had only 10,000,000 rounds of cartridges at its disposal. This amount of ammunition, considering the size of the army, would be insufficient to carry on a long campaign. At the present time, however, the army is well supplied with both arms and ammunition.

It is believed in the Navy Department that Admiral Cervera's fleet will be either completely destroyed or driven away from Cuban waters within the next week. Secretary Alger, going upon this theory, is making every preparation to have about 70,000 men ready to leave Key West for Cuba upon short notice.

I understand on the best authority that if the American fleet does not meet the fleet of Admiral Cervera within the next seven days the Administration will not any longer delay the army of invasion.

There is no longer any fear regarding the Oregon. She is out of the danger zone, and will put into Key West within the next twenty-four hours for coal, when she will hasten to join Rear Admiral Sampson's fleet.

In anticipation of her arrival a large amount of stores have been collected at Key West, so that by Tuesday evening, at the latest, she will be ready to join Rear Admiral Sampson.

With the Oregon attached to the North Atlantic Squadron we will have on hand a force which can defeat the entire Spanish naval force in the Atlantic ocean.

The authorities do not believe that Spain will send her home squadron to the Philippines. The sailing order which it is said have received require it to come west, it is believed, and join forces with Admiral Cervera's fleets.

If this be true, then the officials expect that Admiral Cervera will carry on a waiting policy, avoiding battle with the armorclads of this Government, as he can do, in view of the speed of his ships, preventing the dispatch of an army of invasion by menacing the troop ships and appearing at points where necessity will compel the dispatch of armor-clads, and playing in general a hide-and-seek game until he is re-enforced.

Cars of Cavalry Horses.

A train of thirteen cars of handsome cavalry horses, destined for the war, went through this city yesterday afternoon. They were from the Northwest, and will be used by bodies of Dakota and Iowa cavalrymen, who had preceded them to the seat of war, passing through here Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Morris's Death.

Mrs. Mary Morris, one of the oldest and most highly respected ladies of this county, died Friday at her home in the western portion of the county, near the Caldwell line. She was ninety-one years of age at the time of her death. Mrs. Morris was an excellent Christian woman and beloved by all who had ever known her during her long and useful life. Mrs. Morris leaves five children, forty-one grand children and twenty-four great grand children. The body was buried Sunday at the family burying ground near Pleasant Green church.

Goes to Nashville.

Mr. William B. Neeley left on the 5:13 train yesterday for Nashville, where he has become interested in an important manufacturing enterprise. Mr. Neeley has been engaged in the practice of law here for more than a year past. He is a graduate of Cumberland University and a young man of splendid business qualifications and high character. Mr. Neeley's professional brethren regret to see him abandon the law in which profession he had excellent prospects. Their best wishes, however, will follow him to his new field. No young man in this city has a greater number of loyal friends.

MR. HOWELL HURT.

A Rib Broken and His Right Lung Perforated.

Fell From A Buggy Last Night—Accident a Very Serious One.

Hon. William R. Howell, Commonwealth's Attorney, met with a serious and perhaps fatal accident at 9 o'clock last night.

Mr. and Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Mary C. Bennett, widow of the late Chief Justice Bennett, who is visiting Mrs. Howell, and Mr. J. C. Duffy, were returning in buggies from the residence of Mr. George V. Green, where they were guests at tea. Mr. and Mrs. Howell were driving in front of the other buggies. Shortly after leaving Mr. Green's gate and while driving on the pike in the direction of the city, Mr. Howell attempted to change seats with his wife. The horse was going at a moderate pace and he thought that he could shift his position while the vehicle was in motion. He unfortunately lost his balance and fell upon one of the wheels of the vehicle. His right side struck the wheel with great force. He fell to the ground breathless, but soon rallied sufficiently to get into the buggy. He was suffering great pain, but did not think that he was seriously injured. The jolting of the buggy aggravated his suffering, and before proceeding far he told his wife that he would walk home, as walking was much less painful.

When Mr. Howell arrived at his home on East Seventh street he was utterly exhausted and still suffering greatly. Dr. Stites was at once summoned. An examination showed that one of the ribs in his right side had been broken and had penetrated the lung. The injury received skillful attention but Mr. Howell was still suffering great pain at a late hour last night. His condition is not regarded as critical, but should pneumonia result from the perforated lung the chances for his recovery will be doubtful. In any event he will be confined to his bed for several weeks.

Mr. Howell had the forethought only last week to have his accident policy renewed.

The news of his misfortune will be received with the profoundest regret by his many friends here and throughout the district.

MANY APPLICANTS.

Examination of Applicants For Teachers' Certificates Closed.

The examination of white applicants for teachers' certificates was completed by the board on Saturday. There were thirty-four applicants in all, nine males and twenty-five ladies.

It will be several days before the board can complete the examination of the papers and announce the result, as this is the most difficult and tedious feature in connection with the work. The board consists of the County Superintendent, Prof. A. C. Kuykendall, of South Kentucky College, and Mr. L. McCartney, principal of the City Schools. This is the latter's first term of service on the board, he having been appointed to fill the vacancy created by Mr. W. T. Fowler's resignation. Mr. Fowler had served several years and made a most efficient member.

Mrs. Jacobus Sang.

Mrs. Beckey Levy Jacobus, of Nashville, who is here on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Fleurette Levy, sang a solo at Grace church Sunday, which was appreciated and complimented by a large number of competent judges. Her selection was the beautiful poem of Miss Carey's "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," rendered into music by Baux. Mrs. Jacobus is a great favorite with the music lovers of this city.